

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM"	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN"	2,338 "	" W. A. Valentine.
"FATSHAN"	2,260 "	" R. D. Thomas.
"HANKOW"	2,073 "	" C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN"	1,995 "	" J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
 Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8.30 A.M., 3 P.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"	1,998 tons	Captain G. F. Morrison, R.M.R.
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Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 P.M., on Sundays at Noon, except when otherwise notified by Express.

Note:—During the summer months the time of leaving fluctuates to suit the tide at Macao. See Special Summer Time-table.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	2,119 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 8 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM"	588 tons	Captain J. Wilcox.
"NANNING"	569 "	" C. Butchart.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M. calling at Yunkai, Mahning, Kumchuk, Kau-Kong, Samshui, Howlik, Shui-Hing, Luk-Po, Luk-To, Lo-Ting-Hau, Tak-Hing, Doshing and Fong-Chuen. Departures from Wuchow for Canton calling at the above ports every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8.30 A.M.

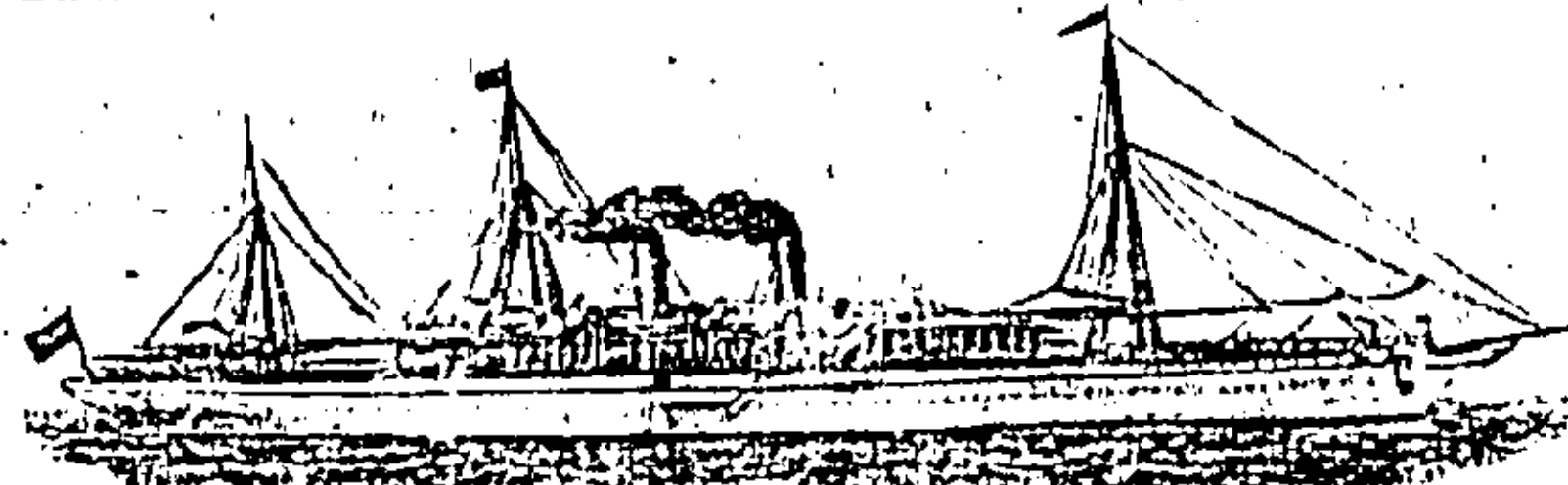
FARES:—Canton to Wuchow.....Single \$15.00. Return \$25.00.
 Canton to Tak Hing.....Single \$12.50. Return \$21.00.
 Canton to Samshui.....Single \$7.50.

The above vessels have superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Meals charged extra.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—
 HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
 Hotel Mansions, (First Floor) opposite the Hongkong Hotel,
 Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1906.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



Luxury—Speed—Punctuality.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the Pacific is the "Empress Line." Saving 3 to 7 Days Ocean Trial.

12 Days YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER. 21 Days HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S.	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"TARTAR"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, May 23	June 16
"EMPEROR OF CHINA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, May 30	June 20
"EMPEROR OF INDIA"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, June 20	July 11
"ATHENIAN"	2,440	WEDNESDAY, June 27	July 21
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, July 11	August 1
"MONTAGLE"	5,500	WEDNESDAY, July 18	August 11

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the COMPANY'S PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class.....\$140. 2nd Class.....\$80. 3rd Class.....\$40.
 Steamers, and 1st Class Rail.....\$40.

R.M.S. "MONTAGLE," "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry "Intermediate" Passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to
 D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent.
 Hongkong, 9th May, 1906. Corner Pedder Str. 1st and Praya, opposite Black Pier. [15]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. OSTASIATISCHER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and IALIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
SILVIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	14th May	Freight and Passengers.
JSTRIA	MARSEILLES and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	15th May	Freight.
G. FERD. LAEISZ	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	1st June	Freight.
SITHONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	3rd June	Freight.
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	14th June	Freight.
ACILIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	28th June	Freight.
RHENANIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.)	12th July	Freight and Passengers.

* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this steamer. Saloon and cabin amplitudes. Lighted throughout by Electricity. Only qualified Doctors are carried.

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. Hongkong Office, King's Buildings. [15]

Mails.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
 Steamers will also call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading for all European, North and South American Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 23rd May.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 6th June.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th June.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 4th July.
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY, 18th July.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 1st August.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 15th August.
PRINZ EITEL FRIBERICH	WEDNESDAY, 29th August.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 12th September.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of May, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, Capt. Grosch, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
 Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 21st May, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 22nd May, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 22nd May.
 Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.
 The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardsess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA & GIBRALTAR	\$61.0.0.	\$42.0.0.	\$32.0.0.
Return	91.0.0.	63.0.0.	33.0.0.
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG	65.0.0.	44.0.0.	24.0.0.
Return	97.0.0.	66.0.0.	36.0.0.
TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ:			
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR	61.0.0.	44.0.0.	26.0.0.
Return	115.0.0.	79.0.0.	47.0.0.
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON	68.0.0.	46.0.0.	27.0.0.
Return	123.0.0.	83.0.0.	49.0.0.

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltair and travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the SAME RATES will be APPLIED AS VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:

Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE TO CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is however not included.

Interruption of the Voyage in Egypt:

Passengers to Europe and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from Alexandria to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE, VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HRRBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to alteration).

STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
WILLEHAD	4,763	TUESDAY, 29th May.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3,227	TUESDAY, 26th June.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	3,302	TUESDAY, 24th July.

ON TUESDAY, the 29th day of May, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship WILLEHAD, Capt. Obenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.
 The steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	1st Class	2nd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	Return \$80.00	\$50.00
TO NEW GUINEA	\$38.00	\$18.00	\$14.00	Return \$42.00	\$27.15
TO BRISBANE	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$14.00	Return \$34.00	\$23.00
TO SYDNEY	\$33.00	\$23.00	\$15.00	Return \$39.10	\$24.10
TO MELBOURNE	\$34.10	\$24.00	\$16.00	Return \$40.25	\$24.45
TO YOKOHAMA	\$80.00	\$60.00	\$40.00	Return \$170.00	\$120.00
TO KOBÉ	\$95.00	\$70.00	\$50.00	Return \$170.00	\$120.00
TO YOKOHAMA & back from KOBÉ to HONGKONG	\$140.00	\$100.00			

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	\$97.0.0.
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA	96.0.0.

From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C. P. R. Co.'s steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. S. S. Co.'s Steamers, and from New York to Europe by the magnificent express steamers of N. D. L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	ABOUT
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 23rd May.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 6th June.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR	WEDNESDAY, 6th June.

* Reaching Yokohama in less than 6 days.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG:

VIA VANCOUVER OR SAN FRANCISCO TO NEW YORK by the C. P. R. Co.'s steamers, P. M. S. Co., O. & O. S. S. Co., T. K. M. and from NEW YORK to EUROPE by the magnificent Express steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following rates:

	1st Class
TO LONDON VIA PLYMOUTH OR SOUTHAMPTON	\$62.0.0.
TO BREMEN	63.0.0.
TO PARIS VIA CHERBOURG	65.0.0.
TO NAPLES, GENOA VIA GIBRALTAR	65.0.0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 10th May, 1906.

MELCHERS & CO.,
 AGENTS.

Entinuations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft. bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

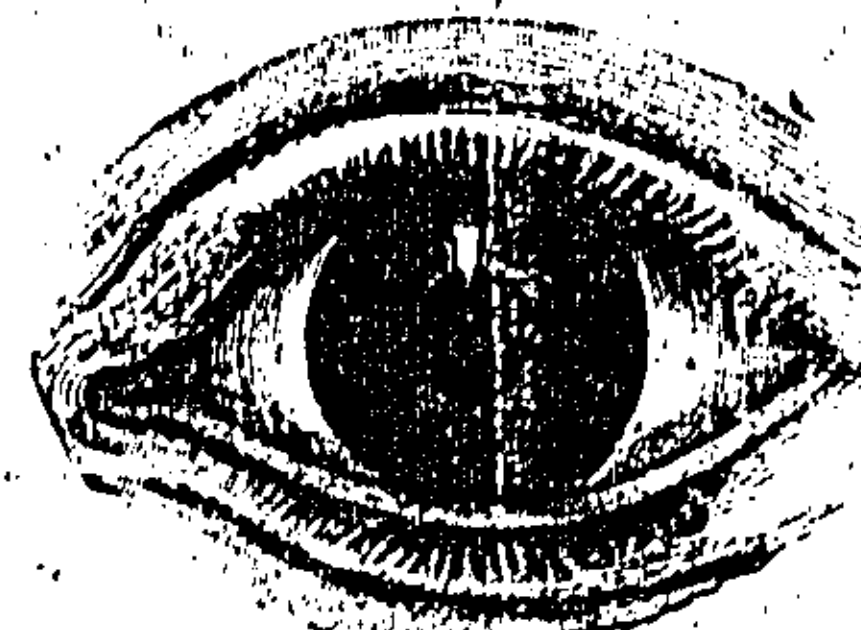
Telephone: Nos. 370, 500, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Ed. Liebers, Scotts, A. I. and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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EYES



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N. LAZARUS, OPHTHALMIC OPTICIAN,
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Will test your eyes free of charge, and if they are wrong will put them right.

Lenses Ground. All kinds of Repairs. Spectacles for all requirements.

Ask, or write, for Illustrated Booklet on "Defective Sight"—free.

LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI,
 21, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C. 59, Bentinck Street. 565, Nanking Road.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1905.

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WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP CO.

HONGKONG-KONGMOON AND KAUKONG LINES.

S.S. "TAK HING"
 SAILS every SUNDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY, at 7 P.M., for the above Ports.
 THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES ONLY 36 HOURS.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SAN-UL".
 SAILING TWICE A WEEK. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES 54 DAYS.

THE steamer sail from HONGKONG to SHANGHAI, SHUHHING, TAKHING and WUCHOW. They pass through the Canton delta, and steam up about 150 miles through the gorges, and beautiful scenery of the West River.

Fare for the Round Trip.....\$30.
 These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are Lighted by Electricity.
 For further information, apply to—
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 AGENTS,
 WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. CO.
 HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1905.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.
 REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE
 BETWEEN
 JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIMAH	JAVA	Second half May	JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI	Second half May
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half May	JAVA PORTS	Second half May
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half June	JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI	Second half June
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half June	JAVA PORTS	Second half June

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to
 THE HEAD AGENCY
 OF THE
 JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Telephone No. 375,
 YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.
 Hongkong, 9th May, 1906.

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Latest style of Ladies' Blouses and Gentlemen's Shirts made to order.

TRIAL ORDER SOLICITED.
 Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. [180]

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 TOP FLOOR.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS and ENLARGING and COPYING in all Sizes.

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 Hongkong, 15th September, 1905. [165]

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Do. BOXED LIGHTS.

Do. HARP LAMPS.

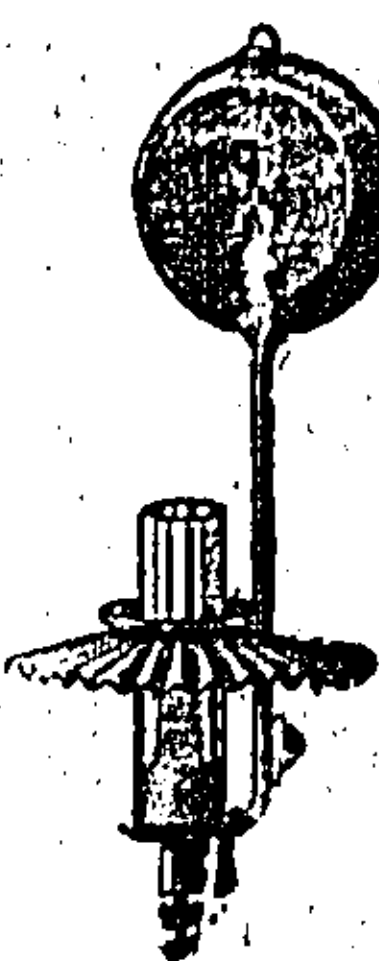
Do. MANTLES, CHIMNEYS, GLOBES,

SHADES, &c., &c.,

and INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS of all descriptions from best makers.

NAPHTHA of the best kind for GASOLINE LAMPS and GASOLINE ENGINES, kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,
 109, Des Voeux Road Central,
 Hongkong, 10th April, 1906. [152]



Intimations.

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NEW DRESS FABRICS

for SUMMER GOWNS
are wonderfully cheap.

MUSLINS

from 25 cents
per yard.

FRENCH

DELAINES

\$1
per yard.

"TENNESSEE" COLOURED DRESS

LINENS

will wash and wear
splendidly.

75 cents per yard.

VOILES, NAINSOOKS, ZEPHYRS,

LAWNS,

&c., &c.,

in large variety.

FIRST-CLASS

DRESSMAKING

At
very moderate charges.

WM. POWELL, LTD.,

Alexandra Buildings,

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.

Intimations.

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Indian, Chinese and
Japanese

Silk Piece Goods,

Silver Wares,

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SUITABLE BOTH FOR

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

Ladies' Blouses

AND

Gentlemen's Pyjamas

SUITS SPECIALITY.

Prices exceptionally cheap.

Inspection earnestly solicited.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1906. [530]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (since its registration) will be held at the Offices of the Company in Alexandra Buildings, TO-MORROW, the 12th instant, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th inst., to TUESDAY, the 15th inst., both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [531]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, "O-MORROW, the 12th May, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1906, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th April to 12th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [492]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND
MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 4% per Share free of tax for the amount of the twelve months ending last February has been declared by the Directors of the above Company. COUPON No. 6 is payable immediately at the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and the Russo-Chinese Bank at Tientsin and Shanghai.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1906. [526]

WANTED.

CLERK WANTED, Quick Writer and able to Correspond.

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ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906. [527]

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DUTCH CIGARS,
MIXTURE OF JAVA AND BRAZIL TOBACCO WITH
SUMATRA COVER.

Well-known brands are:—
Mercurio (Cigarettes), Orlanda, Carlo Basto,
Flor de Flores, Timosa, Don Alonso,
La Bella Rita, Club, Excelente.

HAMBURG CIGARS
OF BEST BRAZIL TOBACCO.

Roland von Hamburg, Recordchlagler,
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Best everything of same origin.

VIRGINIA CIGARS

OF BEST VIRGINIA TOBACCO.

Liliput Export, Delicissimo, Proprietario,
Liliput Proprietario, Export.

SOLE IMPORTERS:—

LUTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO.,

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Third Floor. Please take the Lift.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1906. [60]

NIKKO CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS,

in all kinds of

JAPANESE FINE ART CURIOS, TEA

SETS, and SATSUMA WARE.

At Moderate Prices.

Orders Promptly Executed.

No. 5, ARSENAL STREET,

Hongkong,

Hongkong, 28th April, 1906. [510]

MONEY-LENDING IN THE
STRAITS.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

A very important measure affecting not only Government servants, but the general public is, at present, engaging the attention of the Straits Government. A Bill is shortly to be introduced in the Legislative Council of the Colony, to repeal the "Public Servants Liability Ordinance 1889." The statement of objects and reasons attached to the Bill recites that it is proposed to repeal that Ordinance, and to give all debtors, whether Public Servants or not, the protection afforded them in England by the "Money Lenders Act, 1900." The proposed withdrawal of the protection from suit which the Ordinance professes to give the public servant is, we think, a judicious measure calculated to promote his best interests from several standpoints. Though a public servant drawing not more than \$150 per mensem is protected from suit in virtue of a law enacted by a paternal Government, it has with one hand taken away, to all intents and purposes, the immunity which it professes to have conferred with the other. Under the departmental rules and standing orders a public servant, who fails to square with the money lender, incurs a far more serious jeopardy. Though the Chetty may not sue in a Civil Court for recovery of loans advanced against the express provisions of the law, yet a benevolent Government, as often as not, comes to his rescue by a side door. It frequently happens that on petition by the money lender of failure to meet his claims Government have either removed the unfortunate debtor from the public service, or made his retention in it conditional upon his satisfying the Chetty within a specified time. While we are not prepared to condemn the policy of Government in collecting for the money lenders debts of which the Courts are prohibited from taking cognizance, we cannot help deprecating as incongruous the retention in the Statute Book of a practically inoperative law which, to many an unfortunate officer, has only served as a snare and a delusion. The repeal of this anomalous law will be a real benefit to the public servants of the class affected by improving their credit, while rendering them more careful in their financial transactions when this present illusory protection is formally and unequivocally withdrawn. As a measure of protection to the general public Government proposes to adopt as law the provisions of the English Money Lenders Act empowering Civil Courts to vary the terms of agreements of loan where the conditions are clearly of an unconscionable nature. But the relief which the debtor might expect will depend upon the interpretation which the presiding Judge or Magistrate takes of the term "unconscionable" and the elements in a transaction which render it such. There has been far from unanimity in the rulings of English Judges under the Money Lenders Act, so that its amendment seems to be called for if the real intentions of its framers are to be effectually carried out. As an illustration of the exceeding deference to the sanctity of written contracts inherent in the judiciary we may here refer to a useful provision of the law of contract which has lain dormant in the Straits and the F.M.S. doubtless, due to the reluctance of judges to interfere with the explicit provisions of written contracts. Under section 16 of the Indian Contract Act which is in force in the Straits and the F.M.S., it is enacted that—

"A contract is said to be induced by 'undue influence' where the relations subsisting between the parties are such that one of the parties is in a position to dominate the will of the other and uses that position to obtain an unfair advantage over the other."

"Where a person, in a position to dominate the will of another, enters into a contract with him, and the transaction appears on the face of it or on evidence adduced to be unconscionable the burden of proving that such contract was not induced by undue influence shall lie upon that person in a position to dominate the will of the other."

ILLUSTRATION.

"A, being in debt to B, the money lender of his village, contracts a fresh loan on terms which appear to be unconscionable. It lies on B to prove that the contract was not induced by undue influence."

Notwithstanding the above clear and specific provisions of the law it is indeed regrettable that the Courts have been extremely chary, to say the least, in varying unconscionable contracts in favour of debtors. Let us hope therefore that at least after the passing of the proposed ordinance, the relief contemplated by the law will come within the reach of many an unfortunate debtor.—*Perak Pioneer.*

It is asserted that singing is a corrective of the too common tendency to lung-complaints. An eminent physician has observed that Germans are seldom afflicted with consumption and this he partly attributes to the strength that their lungs acquire by exercises in vocal music, which constitutes an essential branch of their education.

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Auctions.

BY ORDER OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE DEBENTURE HOLDERS,
THE UNDERMENTIONED VALUABLE
SUGAR ESTATES

known as

"PRYE AND BATU KAWAN,"

the Property of
WELLESLEY (PENANG) ESTATES, LIMITED,

will be offered for sale by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

at the George Town Sales' Room,

No. 25, Beach Street, Penang,

TO-MORROW,

the 12th day of May, 1906, at 11 A.M., precisely. Subject to such Conditions of Sale as shall be read thereat.

THOSE well-known and Valuable Sugar Estates known as PRYE and BATU KAWAN situate in the Central and Southern Districts of Province Wellesley in the Settlement of Penang in the Colony of the Straits Settlements comprising a total area of about 10,137 acres held under Government Indentures, Grants and Statutory Land Grants, of which about 4,787 acres are under cultivation, with all the buildings and fixed machinery and plant appertaining thereto.

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THE BATU KAWAN ESTATE comprises an area of about 5,350 acres, of which about 834 acres are cultivated for Sugar, about 54 acres are planted with Coconuts, about 13 acres are planted with Tapioca, about 53 acres are Paddy land, and about 1,689 acres are Fallow land. About 67 acres of the land are covered with canals, drains, and roads, and the remainder is jungle land of which about 4,066 acres are suitable for cultivation.

The sale of the above Estates will include the goodwill of the business of planters and manufacturers of Sugar and other products carried on thereat. The two Estates are situated in the Malay Peninsula in the neighbourhood of some large rubber Estates and offer a good investment to those contemplating the planting of Rubber.

Plans of the PRYE and BATU KAWAN ESTATES showing the position and area of the fields and lands can be inspected at the office of the Vendors' Agents, Messrs. PATTERSON SIMONS AND COMPANY, Weld Quay, Penang, from whom or from Messrs. PATERSON, MATTHEWS, KENNEDY & CO., Solicitors, or from Messrs. KENNEDY AND COMPANY, and Messrs. A. A. ANTHONY AND COMPANY, the Auctioneers, further particulars can be obtained, and to whom application for particulars and conditions of sale should be made.

PATERSON SIMONS AND COMPANY,

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Penang, 11th May, 1906. [483]

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD
PROPERTY.

situate at Caine Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

In Two Lots,

on

MONDAY,

the 21st day of May, 1906, at 3 P.M., at his

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Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

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Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906. [546]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

THURSDAY,

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4 Linie, Haus No. 5,

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Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [518]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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ALSO

A large quantity of PLANTS in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [535]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

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the 12th May, 1906, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,

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GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [543]

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PLAGUE RATS.

Although the majority of people are quite convinced that one of the main factors in the propagation of plague is through the medium of rats, there still remains a section of people who are sceptics on the point. In a letter, which appears in a Bombay paper of recent date, a correspondent protests against the extermination of rats on the ground that it occasions a panic amongst the residents. Although he states that he does not ask that rat killing should be stopped, yet it is evident that he has little sympathy with it. In the first place, he states that "it is neither decided that rats bring the bacilli of plague into a house and thus infect it nor that rats are more susceptible to plague than other creatures." One would think that these points had been so clearly demonstrated that no thinking person could fail to realise that rat extermination is the first essential in the crusade against plague. Every day in the week rats are brought to the Bacteriological Institute, which on dissection exhibit all the features of plague infection. The signs of the disease are most clearly marked, and the authorities would be seriously wanting in their duty if they failed to take heed of the fact that rats, if allowed to breed and infest the crowded tenements of the more congested quarters of the city, would bring about a condition of things similar to what prevailed in Hongkong a dozen years ago. Plague is such an insidious disease and so difficult to locate in the first stages that every method must be adopted whereby it will be prevented from getting a foothold in this Colony. When bubonic plague broke out in Glasgow some years ago, it was only after the most strenuous efforts that the city was cleansed of the scourge. And that in a community where an enlightened population seconded the labour of the sanitary department to the utmost of their ability. How much greater is the danger of the disease spreading in a Colony like Hongkong, situated as it is next door to an ignorant and haphazard city like Canton? It is only by the most unremitting toil and vigilance that the disease can be held in check, and one of the principal factors in the prevention of the spread of the plague is the extermination of rats. Our contemporary, the *Bombay Gazette*, remarks in this connection: "In no case should rat poison be distributed in a district until due precautions have been taken to see that there shall be no resulting panic from the discovery of dead rats. But against the insinuation that the destruction of rats has no proved value in fighting plague, we must emphatically protest. But for the passive resistance offered by natives in many quarters to the destruction of rats, the stamping out of plague would become a far more easy matter." With these observations we entirely concur, and although the conditions in Hongkong are entirely different to those in Bombay, the contention that rat extermination is highly essential to the eradication of the disease applies equally to both places. It shows, however, the contorted views which unscientific, not to say uneducated, people hold when they even suggest there is no proof that rats bring the bacilli of plague into a house. As a matter of fact, there is overwhelming proof that they do, and if medical men agree on anything it is on that point.

THE German mail of the 11th April was delivered in London on the 10th inst.

In a wire from St. Petersburg dated 1st April, the correspondent of the *London Daily Mail* states that a revolutionary plot for the blowing up of the Duma while in session has been discovered. The elections in the suburbs of St. Petersburg are stated to be generally favourable to the constitutional Democratic Party. The Social revolutionists everywhere abstained from voting. The *Nasha Zhin* asserts that Government agents are stirring up the feeling against the Jews throughout Southern and Western Russia. Government offices are circulating proclamations enjoining the murder and torturing of the Jews, "who brought about our defeats and the revolt at home." The Jews are flying to Austria and elsewhere. An extraordinary exodus has taken place at Kieff.

OLD JAPAN.

The example furnished by Japan in calling the attention of tourists and others to the attractions of the Land of the Rising Sun, and the benefits which may be derived from a short residence in that delectable country, has incited the people of Manila to suggest that it behoves the Insular Government to follow suit. But the latter has not seen its way to exploit the country for the benefit of private firms, leaving it rather to individual effort to attain the results achieved by Japan. There can be no doubt that by judicious advertisements, and keen business acumen in the matter of placing those advertisements, Japan has succeeded in inducing an ever-increasing influx of visitors, who spend their money in the country and contribute to the well-being of the people. Just before the war, an irritating system of espionage which was adopted by the Government led to a temporary decline in the number of tourists, who objected to being considered "suspects," liable to fatuous interrogatories, and shadowed from pillar to post. The newspapers of Japan were not backward in condemning the policy which tended to drive away tourists and to give visitors an unfortunate impression of the country. While the war was in progress the police surveillance nuisance was somewhat relaxed, and the Mayors of the chief cities issued a circular declaring that notwithstanding the war the country remained undisturbed and the beauties of Japan were as beautiful as ever. From recent reports it appears that tourists are once again flocking to the Great Britain of the Far East, and nothing is being left undone to make them felicitously remember their sojourn in the land of the chrysanthemum and the cherry blossom. The latest example of the energy with which private individuals in Japan seek to make the foreigner understand the charms of the country is found in a miniature volume, of over a hundred pages, which enlarges on the glories of Kyoto, and, in particular, calls attention to the excellent accommodation furnished by the Miyako Hotel, in which there are ninety bedrooms and all the appointments of an up-to-date establishment. Kyoto, we are told, affords a better opportunity for viewing Japanese life, customs, and scenery than does any other city in the empire. The introduction of European improvements elsewhere has been attended with such radical changes that Old Japan is in danger of being obliterated; but Kyoto, partly on account of its geographical position and partly because of the nature of its industries, still retains much of the beauty for which it has been famed more than a thousand years. Kyoto (meaning "the capital"; the residence of the Emperor) has been closely associated with the Imperial Family since the year 794 A.D. when the Emperor Kwammu selected the site on which the present city stands as his capital. Previous to settling in Kyoto, the Imperial Court had shifted about from place to place, the longest stay on record being that at Nara which lasted for seventy-five years. Kyoto remained the capital from 794 till 1868 with the exception of a break of six months during the year 1189. It is 330 miles from Tokyo and 45 miles from Kobe. It has all the charms of the real Japan and then it has, above all, the Miyako Hotel. An itinerary for a 16 days' spell at Kyoto is included in the handbook, the visitor being taken from place to place in the vicinity of the district till he has absorbed all the wonders and beauties of the place. The handbook is handsomely got up, with a photographic reproduction on every page, and the enterprise of the proprietor of the Miyako Hotel in producing such an admirable guide to the locality will, no doubt, be well rewarded. It is another instance of the spirit which not only demands success but ensures it. Little wonder that Japan is becoming a veritable holy land with Kyoto as its Mecca.

AN APPEAL.

In another column we publish an extremely interesting letter from the Rev. Arthur J. Stevens on the subject of the new church at Kowloon—the gift of Sir Paul Chater—which is being erected to meet the wants of Episcopalians on the peninsula. As will be seen, a variety of gifts and donations have been received towards the equipment of the edifice, but many indispensable articles are yet required to complete the furnishings of St. Andrew's Church, and it is eminently desirable that when the building is opened to public worship it should be free from debt. A church which starts with an incubus of debt is in a most unenviable position, and the work of the pastor is hampered and hindered to an extent undreamt of by the general public. The appeal which Mr. Stevens has issued will, we have no doubt, be most sympathetically received and generously responded to, if only that his labours in Kowloon may be tangibly recognised. The object is a most worthy one, and should enlist the support of a wide section of the community. We shall be glad to publish the list of those who contribute to the fund raised as the result of this appeal.

SIXTEEN ounces of gold are sufficient to gild a wire that would encircle the earth.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TWENTY-TWO cases of bubonic plague were recorded in Hongkong during the last 24 hours. Of that number 15 had succumbed to the disease at noon to-day.

THE Marine Court will meet on Monday next, the 14th instant, at 10 a.m., to enquire into the circumstances connected with the foundering of the British steamer *Chu Kong* near Breaker Point.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow for the purpose of considering the advisability of closing a block of three houses known as Nos. 94, 96, and 98 Reclamation Street, Mongkok.

THE smallest list His Honour the Puisne Judge has had to deal with in Summary Jurisdiction was that before the Court to-day. In most of the cases the defendants were either not present, or when present admitted the debts they were sued for, and judgment with costs was the result in each case.

SERGEANT GRANT attained a boarding house keeper before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne at the Magistracy, charging him with failing, while having two emigrants in the house, to enter their names, etc., in the book provided for that purpose. The keeper pleaded guilty and his Worship imposed a fine of \$20.

A RICKSHA coolie from West Point was brought up on remand at the Magistracy this morning, charged with being in possession of a quantity of morphine, and injecting the same on another coolie without its being duly prescribed by a medical practitioner. Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne fined the defendant \$50 on the first charge and \$25 on the second.

FIVE out of thirty-one Queensland horses which were sent to China by Mr. Geo. Kiss of Sydney, on board the China Navigation steamer *Tsuan*, and which arrived here on 1st May, in charge of Mr. Fitzgerald, were shipped last night on board s.s. *Kalgan* for Newchwang. The remainder is expected to leave on Sunday for Shanghai, where they will be auctioned.

A GANG of coolies was firing crackers at West Point, outside the prescribed area, near the Government Civil Hospital last night, and the police went to clear them away. They did so, and a lad had to be arrested for hoisting the police. He was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland this morning charged with the offence. He was fined \$5, and his Worship suggested to his father that the lad should be "licked" when he got home.

"THE plaintiff is not here, my Lord," said a solicitor to His Honour the Puisne Judge this morning, in the Summary Court, "but the defendant has admitted the debt in my presence." Yes, but I can't have that," replied his Honour, "where is the plaintiff?" "He has gone to Canton on some other business, my Lord," said the solicitor. "Then you'd better get him back and let him prove his claim," rejoined his Honour, and the case was adjourned.

IT is with regret that we have to announce the death, which took place at the Government Civil Hospital, yesterday afternoon, of Mr. Denny O'Keefe, one of the sanitary inspectors. Deceased, who died, from pneumonia, was formerly in the Royal Irish Constabulary, which he left in order to join the police at Shanghai; he thence journeyed to Hongkong to join the Sanitary Department. He was a very popular officer, and will be missed by many friends. The funeral took place this afternoon, to the Roman Catholic cemetery.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. A. G. Fitton, D.S.O., and officers, the Band of the 2nd Batt., "The Queen's Own" (Royal West Kent Regt.) will play the following programme of music, during dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, 12th inst.:

March—"On Grass on Wien" (Reckling)
Overture to "Die Fledermaus" (Auber)
Valse—"Die Gillebanne" (Strauss)
Selection from "Mr. Puffin" (Rubens)
Slow Song—"The Wee Wee Wee" (Ringo)
Highland Patrol—"The Wee Wee Wee" (Ringo)
Selection from—"The Fiddlers" (Jones)
God Save the King.

IN less than a fortnight no less than two cases of plague have been reported among the police stationed at No. 7 Station, West Point, and two *lukangs* have been removed to the plague hospital. One of the patients succumbed to the disease shortly after his admittance, while the other is still under treatment. All the precaution that was taken at the Police Station to guard against the disease was, it is reported, the "sprinkling" of a little disinfectant about the infected men's quarters. If the outside of No. 7 Station is any criterion, the whole station requires to be cleared and white-washed.

A CHINESE woman was seen on the morning of the 10th instant to deposit the body of a dead child in Tank Lane, and on seeing a policeman near by took to her heels. The officer gave chase and the woman fell, causing some injury to the left side of her face. She was attended to, brought before the Court yesterday, and remanded to ascertain the cause of the child's death. This morning, Inspector Warnock informed Mr. F. A. Hazeland that the child's death was due to natural causes. The woman was no relative to the child, but was paid \$4 to dump the body. She pleaded guilty and his Worship paid her \$15 or three weeks' hard labour.

A FATAL accident occurred at West Point on the night of the 9th instant, in which a girl, aged 20 years of age, lost her life. It was, however, not until last night that the police were informed of the tragedy. It appears that on the night of the occurrence the little girl went to a grocer's shop at No. 9 in Kiu Lane to purchase some sweetmeats. At one corner of the shop were stacked some bags of sugar. When she was being attended to by the salesman the stack of bags collapsed and fell upon the unfortunate child. The bags were removed, and the child taken to the Tung Wa Hospital, but she expired on the way. She was examined at the mortuary and the cause of death was said to be concussion of the brain.

RICKSHA COOLIES' DEVIK.

LATEST TRICK TO EVADE FARES.

Quite the latest device in the way of ricksha-coolie tactics was revealed in the Police Court to-day. It is well-known that the coolie who haunts the corners of the streets, with his ramshackle vehicle behind him, has little or no use for the resident of Hongkong, who only pays a hundred per cent. above the legal tariff. What he wants is the newcomer, or, preferably, the tourist who has no idea of prices and lays out his money in lavish fashion. Then the puller is in clover and extorts a fare which is a thousand times in excess of the legal price. Thus the coolie waxes fat and impudent. But, unfortunately for the coolie, there is a law to the effect that a disengaged puller must accept the first fare calling for his services. It has been the practice of the fraternity when one whom they considered stingy or undesirable hailed them to point airily at the skies and declare upon their souls and consciences—save the mark!—that they were already engaged and were only waiting for their "masters." But that trick does not always avail, and when a stern pedestrian, with time to spare, threatens to call a policeman they promptly decide that discretion is the better part of valour, and grudgingly take up the undesirable patron. But they have their revenge in the manner of their speed. Now, however, they have invented a new and decidedly original form of evasion, and it was related to Mr. Melbourne at the Court to-day. A gentleman leaving one of the hotels in town hailed a couple of coolies, who pretended to be asleep in their rickshas. Probably they were asleep, but when called in stentorian tones they rubbed their eyes and gazed abstractedly at the disturber of their dreams. When they saw that their rude awakener was apparently a local resident they quickly came to the conclusion that they would do better in some other quarter of the city. Now, it might have been thought that they would each have lifted the shafts of his bone-shaker and bolted. But that would have been too primitive an end to the game, and besides it could scarcely have been considered sport. They had a simpler and a much more efficacious plan. Coolie No. 1 raised his ricksha to the horizontal while Coolie No. 2 jumped in, and they drove off gloriously. It is true that the second coolie abandoned his ricksha to the wind and weather, but he wisely guessed that nobody would dream of interfering with a desolate vehicle, sans springs, sans everything. The intending passenger was left on the sidewalk to mourn the departure of the puller and pulled-puller, and to obtain the services, if possible, of a ricksha-puller of less squeamish tastes. Naturally, he felt annoyed at the trick which had been played upon him, and as most sensible men might have done, although most men would not have taken the trouble, he complained to a policeman, who came to the conclusion that this was a case for the Court. The coolies were summoned and taken to the Magistracy, where they were charged with having refused to accept a fare while disengaged. This should be a serious charge, if only that the heinousness of the offence should be clearly brought home to the minds of the ricksha-pullers in Hongkong. Mr. Melbourne heard the evidence of the complainant, who took the trouble to go to Court for the purpose of giving evidence, and, at the same time, a salutary lesson to the ricksha clique. Mr. Melbourne came to the conclusion that Coolie No. 1—the coolie who had dragged off his compatriot—was guilty of the charge, and he was ordered to pay a fine of the enormous amount of \$3. The Magistrate confessed that he knew the second coolie, who had enjoyed the free ride, was guilty, but there was no evidence to convict, so he was discharged with a caution. So the two coolies doubtless pined their funds and paid \$3. Probably, whenever we hail a ricksha in future we shall see a string of coolies hastily dropping their own rickshas and jumping gaily into a companion's vehicle. But the sight of the rag, tag and bobtail of cooliehood enjoying free rides is hardly likely to induce business from the better class of the community.

A TEE-TOTALER'S AFFAIR.

PREFERRED A PLAIN SODA.

Bessie Thomson, residing at No. 2, Gage Street, walked into the Police Court this morning with a plaster over her right eyebrow, to charge Alex. H. Malcolm, oiler, on board the steamer *Siberia*, with assault, on the 11th instant.

The defendant on being asked to plead said:—"I suppose I did hit her, judge, but it was a mistake."
Complainant said that seven Americans went to her house last night and started quarrelling. She told them to make less noise, and defendant, picking up a glass, threw it at her and struck her over the eye.

Defendant held that it was done "accidentally."

Mr. Hazeland—Was defendant drunk?

Complainant—He never had any drinks in my house.

Mr. Hazeland—Was he drunk?

Constable—No, your Worship.

Continuing, witness said that he and a party of friends went to the house in question last evening. The others called for drinks. When asked what he was going to have he replied, "A plain soda, please." This did not appear to suit complainant; and another woman, who sat near him called him names, he thought it was "a mean something." He got excited and picking up the glass threw it at her. It missed its mark and struck the complainant.

Mr. F. A. Hazeland fined the defendant \$10.

At Saigon, on the 13th April, a flash of lightning struck down fourteen native workmen employed in repairing a man-of-war. One of them was killed. The others recovered after a long while.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

CHINESE "SENSATION."

HIGH COMMISSIONERS FOR CUSTOMS.

NO MENTION OF SIR ROBERT HART.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 11th May,

11.10 a.m.

A decree appointing Chinese officials to be High Commissioners of the Imperial Maritime Customs service has been published.

Much sensation was created when the news became known.

It is thought that as Sir Robert Hart is not mentioned in the decree no interference is contemplated with the internal management of the Customs, which, it is believed, will proceed on the old lines.

[Strait Times.]

Russia's Political Life.

London, 11th May.

The *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent in St. Petersburg says the reactionary Durnovo has asked to be relieved and has been dismissed; and that Goremeykin, who is an extreme bureaucrat and enemy of Count Witte's succeeds the Count, whose resignation is ascribed to ill-health but is really due to his finding it impossible to fight the reactionaries.

Colonial Conference next April.

Lord Elgin has announced that the Colonial Conference will meet in April, 1907.

Insurance Losses through 'Frisco Disaster.

The Scottish Union and National Insurance Companies' losses over the San Francisco disaster are estimated at £460,000.

Disturbances in Zululand.

Punitive operations have been commenced in Zululand where numerous kraals have been burned and quantities of cattle have been seized.

Irish Party "Agin" the Government.

At a meeting of the Irish Party it was resolved to vote against the second reading of the Education Bill.

Indian Railways Scheme.

In the House of Commons, Mr. H. F. B. Lynch (W. R. E. Yorks) asked whether, in view of the effect of the penetration of Russian influence into Persia on the frontier problem of India, Mr. John Morley (Secretary of State for India) would refuse to sanction a large expenditure on the railways to the north-west of India. Mr. Morley replied that any proposals for further railway construction towards Afghanistan would receive his most careful consideration.

To Prohibit Duplicate Voting.

The Government's Plural Voting Bill, which is to prohibit anybody from voting in two constituencies, has passed its first reading in the House of Commons. The votes in favour of the Bill were 327, and 66 members voted against it.

Queen Alexandra in Rome.

H. M. Queen Alexandra has arrived in Rome.

Royalty Leave Gibraltar.

T. R. H. the Prince and the Princess of Wales have left Gibraltar on their way home.

Kaiser's Children Honoured.

The Sultan has conferred the Order of Osmanieh, set in brilliants, on the Kaiser's three youngest sons, and the Cordon of Chefat on the Kaiser's daughter.

Paris as She Were!

Paris has resumed her normal aspect.

STONE FOR THE MILITARY.

Eight women were prosecuted at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the instance of Inspector Dymond, for removing stones from Crown land, 19th inst., Harlech Road, Peak, on the 10th instant, without permission from the Public Works Department.

Mr. Haggard, representing the Public Works Department, said that he understood from communications that defendants were removing the stones for the military authorities. In the circumstances he would ask his Worship for a week's remand to consult the Director of Public Works.

His Worship—Very well. Can you say whether the contractor who employs these people has a permit to remove stones from any part of the Peak?

Insp. Dymond—Yes, your Worship. They can remove stones from the valley, but they have recently encroached on Crown land.

The case was then remanded for one week. Bail \$10 each.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

French (*Salade*) 14th inst.
American (*America*) 16th inst.
Indian (*Namang*) 21st inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 22nd inst.
American (*China*) 30th inst.
American (*Alongolia*) 30th inst.

The N. Y. K. Bombay Line s.s. *Wakasa Maru* left Keelung for this port on 10th inst., and is expected here on 12th inst.

The I. C. S. N. Co. s.s. *Namang* left Calcutta for this port on the Straits on 5th inst., and may be expected here on 21st inst. The Jap-China Japan Line s.s. *Tsushima Maru* left Kobe for this port on 9th inst., and may be expected here on 22nd inst.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's.]

Russia.

LONDON, 9th May.

The Duma will assemble on the 10th inst. There will be an elaborate ceremonial. The Tsar will give a speech from the Throne in the Winter Palace.

The new fundamental laws of the Empire will be promulgated, asserting autocratic power, and limiting the powers of the Duma.

Great consternation was caused at a meeting of Liberals in St. Petersburg last evening, at which several members of the Duma were present, by the meeting being broken up by troops.

Later.

The British Minister to China.

Sir John Jordan succeeds Sir Ernest Satow as British Minister at Peking.

The Japanese Training Squadron.

The Japanese training squadron has arrived at Melbourne; extensive official preparations have been made for its reception.

THE WORLD'S POSTAL CONGRESS.

SOME POINTS FOR DEBATE.

The fifth congress of the Universal Postal Union opened at Rome on Saturday, 7th ult., when "men of letters" from practically every country in the world, save Abyssinia, Afghanistan, Morocco, and Tibet, met together to frame regulations governing the postal communications of mankind for the next five years.

The Postal Union—that powerful instrument of human peace and progress—was the outcome of a conference which met at Paris in 1863. Representatives were present from some 14 States, ranging in importance from Great Britain, France, and Prussia, to the Hanseatic towns and Costa Rica.

It was not, however, until 1874 that the Union was actually instituted, as a result of a congress of representatives from 25 States, with a population of 350,000,000, which was held at Bern in that year. In the interval France had been satiated with war, and men's thoughts turned longingly towards peace. Even Germany, prime mover in the strife of the preceding decade, shared the new impulse; and her great Postmaster-General, Dr. von Stephan, was one of the zealous members of the congress.

"You enter," he told his colleagues, "upon one of the most important fields of action in the intercourse of nations; you are promoting an eminent work for their peace and prosperity."

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

The Bern Congress agreed upon various proposals for securing uniformity in the multifarious arrangements which had till then characterised postal communication between nation and nation.

In particular, it adopted a common unit of weight—the metric equivalent of 15 grains—uniform charge of 24d. per 100g. for letters, of 1s. per 400g. for newspapers, and of 1d. per 200g. for booklets on samples; and greatly reduced "transit" payments for the conveyance of mails between two countries across the territory of a third.

It also set up a permanent bureau at Bern—maintained by small contributions from the contracting States—whose duty it is to carry on the business of the Union in the intervals (in monthly five years) between successive congresses, and to publish the monthly organ of the institution, "L'Union Postale."

The second conference took place at Paris in 1878, when 32 States were represented, with a population of 60,000,000. The third was held at Lisbon in 1885, the fourth at Vienna in 1891, and the fifth at Washington in 1897. The present congress has been twice postponed on account of the war.

Besides letters, postcards, newspapers, books, and samples, money orders and parcels come within the purview of the congress; and the business, together with numerous ceremonial and social functions, is usually sufficient to employ the delegates for five or six weeks.

BRIEF FOR UNIFORMITY.

At the present congress, one picturesque element will be absent which graced the last congress—viz., the delegation from Korea. Probably nothing has pleased the Koreans more in the events which have lately befallen them than the fact that their new rulers no longer permit them to appear at international conferences as subjects.

Until the Vienna congress, the great aim of the United Kingdom, in common with the rest of the world, was to secure uniformity; and there was much rejoicing when India and the Australasian colonies decided in 1891 to reduce their letter rate from 4d., 5d., and 6d., to 2d. per 100g., and thus become eligible for membership of the Union.

But before the Washington congress in 1897 the agitation for Imperial penny postage had arisen; and the obligation to observe uniformity then became onerous.

The Washington congress, on the initiative of this country, formally recognised the right of every country to make special agreements as to rates with other countries and with its own colonies. The way was thus paved for the adoption of Empire penny postage; and, as the congress also agreed to a substantial reduction of transit rates across Europe, it became possible to reduce the postage to India and Australia without incurring so large a loss as would otherwise have been involved.

At the present congress proposals will be made for a reduction of the uniform rate of 2d.

ONE PENNY ALL THE WAY.

The British Government is said to favour a rate of 2d., but New Zealand will propose a universal rate of 1d. Mr. Henniker Heaton says that Australia will support the latter proposal, but this is scarcely likely, seeing that Australia still charges 4d. on letters for this country.

Universal penny postage would cost this country about £400,000, on the basis of the present transit charges on the Continent—i.e., 1d. each on 60,000,000 letters. The British delegates will probably press for a further reduction of these transit charges, as they did at Washington; but the reduction would not be likely to wipe out the loss, even although the traffic were greatly increased. One doubts whether there are not more profitable ways of spending this large sum, even in our own case; and it is perfectly certain that other countries are not prepared to face a corresponding loss, although they are likely enough to agree to a rate of 2d.

Penny postage was adopted in the case of the Colonies for special reasons. It was urged—quite properly—on a reluctant Treasury as a means of promoting unity between the mother country and her children beyond the seas. And it is curious to find the Imperialistic "Times" now applying the existence of Imperial penny postage for applying the penny rate universally as an argument.—*London Morning Leader.*

FLOODED CANTON.

VICEROY'S VISIT OF INSPECTION.

[From a Correspondent.]

Canton, 9th May.

Torrents of rain have been falling over Canton and neighbourhood, notwithstanding all the "chun-chin joss," on the part of the Viceroy and the monks. We saw the sun for a short time to-day, however, and felt quite happy again to know that old Sol had not disappeared altogether.

The river continues to rise, with the result that the streets are flooded, causing the greatest inconvenience to trade.

A RECALCITRANT DEITY.

Seeing that the rain deity has refused to be propitiated, the Viceroy ordered that the firing of cannon four times a day should be stopped in token of his displeasure. His Excellency then proceeded on a tour of inspection through the flooded districts, and is expected to return to Canton to-day.

THE RAILWAY SERVICE.

The railway has resumed its service as far as Sai Nam, whence passengers embark in launches for Samshui—which is about four miles off. I fear, however, that with the river continuing to rise, the railway track will again be flooded and traffic have to be suspended.

THE TEA TRADE.

Quantities of tea are being received from the West and North Rivers. The samples do not seem to indicate that the tea has greatly suffered from the effects of the heavy rains. All the tea that has come into the market so far is intended for local or rather native consumption. There is no tea yet to hand for the foreign market.

If this state of affairs continues, it will mean that of the eight *hongs* left in operation only four will be actively engaged in business. This seems to point to the collapse of the tea trade, and those interested in the matter are watching events with some anxiety.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE ENGLISH CHURCH AT KOWLOON.

We have been requested to give publicity to the following letter which will be circulated among those interested in the establishment of an English Church at Kowloon.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

Dear Sir,—As perhaps you would like to have some share in the provision being made of a Church at Kowloon (for all English-speaking members of the English Church), we take this opportunity of informing you that the St. Andrew's Church Furnishing Committee will gladly receive any help you may be disposed to give, in aid of the general fund for furnishing and equipping St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, (the gift of Sir Paul Chater to the Colony) now approaching completion.

The generous donor of the fabric is adding to his original gift a stained-glass window for the East end. The Bishop of Victoria is providing a holy table, chancel and choir seats, the pulpit and reading desk. Mr. A. Bryer (the honorary architect) is giving a brass lectern. The communicants of St. John's Cathedral and the Peak Church (through Mr. Johnson, the Cathedral Chaplain) have presented communion plate. Mr. E. C. Lewis has given a set of linen for the holy table; Mr. W. King has presented service books, and the S. P. C. K. is making a grant of prayer books. The bellry is being furnished, by Mr. E. Osborne's generosity, with a peal of tubular bells; and Mr. E. C. Wilks is installing electric light throughout the Church. The Rev. F. T. Johnson has further undertaken the provision of a font, and Mr. J. Plummer has offered to present a brass Cross for the Communion table.

There remain many other things, not yet provided, though indispensably necessary; as for instance, seats for the congregation (estimated to cost about \$1,500), an organ—or a sufficient substitute—pumpkins, vestry furniture, an alms dish, alms bags, kneelers, hymn books, &c., &c. To provide these, and many other things, requisite for the Church when opened and consecrated for Divine Service (as we hope it may be, next month or at any rate, shortly), a general fund was recently started by the Bishop, whose personal appeal obtained for us a nucleus of over \$600 kindly subscribed by a few firms and individual donors.

The widespread and very substantial interest, shown by so many in very generous gifts, leads us to hope that yet many other friends—when they know what further needs remain to be met—will live (either to undertake to provide some one or other required item, or) to give a sum—small or large, as their ability and good-will shall determine—towards the purchase of whatever remains to be thus secured.

We wish to open the Church without any debt upon its necessary furnishings, and should be greatly relieved and encouraged to find that, by means of this general appeal, rather than by personal solicitation, a sufficient response should be called forth to enable us to have all things necessary against the date of the consecration of the Church.

This project is such a worthy one, and (seeing that so much of the Divine blessing has rested upon it in, for example, so many liberal gifts having been evoked), we feel we may, with every confidence, commend it to all who care for the extension of the Church throughout the world, and for its due representation (more particularly) in the colonies of our Christian Empire which owe so much to the blessing of God.

Should you care to lend your assistance, by giving a donation towards furnishing this Church, and so to promote God's glory (and at the same time give encouragement to, and supplement the efforts of, our co-religionist English-speaking residents at Kowloon) kindly send your gift—or promise—to St. John's Cathedral, with the annexed form duly filled up, addressed to the "St. Andrew's, Kowloon Church Furnishing Committee," or to—

Yours very sincerely,

ARTHUR J. STEVENS,

Chaplain of St. Andrew's.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, 11th May.

SHIPPING JETSAM.

The s.s. *Taming*, which arrived in harbour this morning from Manila, had in tow the small steamship *Castellano*, which has been bought by Chung Cheong, a local shipowner, for coast service. Five more small steamers are to be brought up, two of which will be put into dock for repairs before being placed on the coast service, by Chinese owners, and three will be broken up.

A THURSTON STORY.

THE DOG THAT TALKED.

Chatting on the hotel verandah after dinner, Howard Thurston, the Magician, told a story about a dog. "The dog is dead now," he said, "so it doesn't matter. And anyway, I don't think he'd mind, for it was in the service of his master that I used him. No dog worthy of the name would object to his bark being used for his master's welfare. As far as that goes, a dog is generally pretty free with the bark, showering it on the rich and poor, the millionaire and the tramp, the just and the unjust, with reckless prodigality. Which has nothing to do with the story—but even such an inanimate thing as a mirror has its moments of reflection, so why can't I have mine?"

"I happened some years ago to be in the city of Butte, in Montana, when I met an old friend named George. He had a surname, but he hadn't been living up to it for some time previously. Now, George was a very good man in the circus business, and would have done really well—if he could have kept sober long enough. But whenever he was getting along pretty fairly in a good billet, George had a habit of going out and celebrated so regularly on getting a billet that very soon he hadn't any occasion to celebrate, and so he fell back on the days gone by. When I met him he was a derelict on the sea of beer. The landlord of the hotel had not seen him for George's money during the two weeks he had been there—or much of the circus men either—for George, when thirsty, always moved about by himself.

"George asked me to help him. But what could I do? He was of no use in my show, not much in anybody's. Still he promised to return—I heard him myself about twenty times—and there was a job waiting for him about three towns along the beat if he could on y get there! But he had nothing on which he might possibly raise any money. His trunk was in the safe keeping of the proprietor of the hotel, who stuck to it like an elephant. He only had the clothes he stood up (and drunk beer) in—and his dog. It wasn't a pedigree dog; none of its relations had ever known what a genealogical tree was like; it was just plain dog—and an awkward, yellow-looking mongrel at that.

"Now," he said, as we rang the bell for the waiter, "if I could only make that dog talk, I would be all right!" He was alluding to my show, which at that time included a ventriloquist act in which a dog figured.

"Oh!" I said, "nothing is easier; we'll make it talk. And may be it will help you to a good job on the hotelkeeper."

"The waiter came in, and George said what he would have, and I said what I would have, and I then asked Fido what he would have. Fido looked up when he heard his name, and I threw my voice to him. Fido said he would have a ham sandwich. The waiter—a negro—all negroes are more or less glib and very superstitious—was astonished. He gazed at the dog with eyes that hung out like doctors' lamps. Then he went away, and we acted the role of waiter, and waited for our drinks.

"I presume he told the proprietor that we had a dog that talked. Soon the proprietor came in casually, looked at the dog, and went out. Then his wife dropped in, gazed at the dog, and left. Several other people happened along, stared hard at the dog, and departed. Meanwhile the dog said nothing. He was waiting for his ham sandwich.

"By-and-by the waiter arrived with the goods as per invoice, and stood about with his eyes on Fido. Fido did not waste any words; he ate sandwich as hard as he could. In order to make the joke on a bit further I said to George that I would have another. George, who never got his second wind till after the tenth beer, said he thought he would, too. Fido looked up and said he would have another ham sandwich, and—'tell the waiter not to put any mustard in the next,' he concluded.

"The coloured man took the order. And he hadn't been gone a minute before the proprietor came in. That was a nice dog? I said yes. Talked, didn't he? I said he had been known to indulge in the somewhat common habit of conversation. Would I sell him—for he would be an attraction to custom? I said that unfortunately he wasn't mine; but I had no doubt the owner (my friend) would sell him if pressed sufficiently. To show what the dog could do I induced him to 'speak a piece.' The hotelkeeper then evinced a deep and insatiable yearning to become possessed of that dog.

"It was a wrench to George to part with such a valuable animal, but we arranged that the proprietor was to have the dog, and George a receipted bill, his trunk, and a railway pass to the town where the job awaited him.

"As we bade adieu to Fido and moved towards the door he said, 'Are you going to leave me here? We admitted that was our intention, and pointed out that he would have a good home. 'Well,' he replied, 'if you do, I'll never speak another word as long as I live!'"

GYMKHANA NOTES.

The second meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club will be held at Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon. And if I am allowed to judge from to-day's weather, good atmospheric conditions and likewise a good attendance will be the order of the day.

Pressure of work lately has been the cause of barring me from being present at the training of the ponies, but I was assured this morning by a "racing man" that the ponies are going well, some good times having been accomplished at a recent gallop, and what is more, a good afternoon's sport and some game finishes are anticipated.

The programme, which I have before me now, shows good entries for the different events.

The first race—Five Furlongs Flat Race—shows seven ponies to compete for this event. Roscommon, Pathan and Sundial are entered, and, I hear, are running strong. However, Roscommon and Pathan are my fancies.

The second race—Polo Pony Race—is stated on the programme as "Post entries." There is a goodly number of polo ponies in the Colony and there ought to be a good field for the start.

Event No. 3, Gymkhana Club Challenge Cup. Taking the last meeting into consideration there is a better entry this time, for according to the paper, there are nine starters, a few of which, I know, will not start. The Quail, Pathan and Speculation are in the bunch, and will make things hot, and I am afraid Mackie, as Pathan's guide, will do his utmost to bring him in winner once more. A friend, who says he "knows" informs me that there will be a "surprise" at to-morrow's meeting in this race. Anyway that's left to be seen.

The fourth event on the programme, I will leave for your readers to judge for themselves, and so I will pass to the Hurdle Race. For this race, the five ponies to start are: Glenburn, Forward, The Quail, Doris Castle, and Ben Royal. Again news from the turf is to the effect that all of the hurdlers are up to the mark. In that case I should lay on Ben Royal and Glenburn.

The final race of the afternoon will be the one mile and a quarter flat race. For this event there are thirteen entrants, and although we will not see the so-called unlucky number facing the starter, there will be a good field. My tip for this race is Roscommon, if he starts, or Preston.

A TURF ENTHUSIAST.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 11th at 11.55 A. The barometer has fallen over E. Japan, and on the China coast.

A shallow area of low pressure lies over the N. part of the Sea of Japan, and the highest pressure is now found over W. Japan.

Gradients are slight in S. China, and moderate E. winds are indicated in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate E. winds; fair.

THE Burmese women's high ambition is to maintain her husband in lordly idleness, and to supply him with abundant funds for cock-fighting, bullock-cart-racing, and gambling. And many of the Burmese women do big deals in timber, buying up in advance the paddy crop of a whole district, and so on, a scale that requires big financing.—*Free Press, Singapore.*

To-day's Advertisements.

FROM HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"ANDALUSIA"

Captain Schmidt, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optical Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th May, 1906, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th May, 1906, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906. [552]

THE WHISKY CONTROVERSY.

A TRIED BRAND.

Those who are not indifferent to the quality and character of the whisky they drink must have followed with no little interest the controversy which has lately arisen over the respective merits of malt and grain whisky. A valuable little pamphlet has just been issued on the subject entitled "Scotch Whisky and Common Sense." The value of the pamphlet, which puts the whole thing in a nutshell, lies in the fact that it goes to commend a whisky which is well known in Hongkong, and highly appreciated by all who know it—White Horse Cellar. To begin with the question is asked: What is all malt whisky and what is grain whisky? The answer is: that all malt whisky is made entirely of malted barley distilled in the old-fashioned pot still. On the other hand, grain whisky is made from a mixture of 15 to 25 per cent. malted barley and the remainder unmalted oats, rye, maize and barley distilled in a patent Coffey still. The primary requisites of all whiskies are age and absence of adulteration, and these are found in White Horse Cellar, which is ten years old and has held a reputation for flavour, quality and purity from time immemorial. White Horse Cellar is a malt whisky—in other words, it is whisky and not an adulteration of a variety of products, which the Court ruled was not whisky at all. It is decidedly interesting to note that of Scotch whisky—that is to say, the pure article and not a combination of deleterious substances—there is at present in Bond some 122,000,000 gallons, while ten years ago, when Scotch whisky came into fashion, there were only 65,000,000 gallons, which is the best guarantee that far from the quality falling off, it is in fact beyond contradiction that better and older Scotch whisky can be had at the present moment than at any previous time. Mackie's "White Horse" is an excellent digestive and free from matter hurtful to rheumatic and gouty tendencies. Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. are the sole agents in Hongkong for White Horse Cellar, and the name of that firm should be a guarantee that what they sell is of the best. We have received a few samples of White Horse Cellar and can highly recommend it to those who prefer a sound article to the cheap rubbish that finds its way on to the market.

COMMERCIAL.

SHARE LIST.

Following are further alterations in Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Fott's share list to-day:—
Hongkong Banks \$850 sellers
Union Insurances 785 buyers

Quotations for the week close as follows:—

Hongkong Banks	...	\$855 s.	£89.10
National Banks	...	38 b.	
Union Insurances	...	790 b.	
Canton Insurances	...	355 b.	
Hongkong Fires	...	305	
China Fires	...	80 s.	
H. C. & M. Steamboats	...	25 s.	
Indo-Chinas	...	92 s.	
China and Manilla	...	22 s.	
China Sugars	...	172 s.	
Rauhs	...	21 b.	
Docks	...	164 s.	
Kowloon Wharfs	...	104 s.	
Shanghai Docks	...	119 s.	
Hongkong Land	...	119 s.	
Hongkong Hotels	...	119 s.	
Humphreys Estate	...	111	
Hongkong Cottons	...	15 s.	
Green Island Cements	...	29 s.	
Langkats	...	240 s.	

THE closing cruise of the season of the Corinthian Yacht Club takes place to-morrow, Saturday, when it is expected the entire fleet of yachts will join in it. The cruise will be to Chen Wan, and the boats will return on Saturday.

Intimations.

THE
ROBINSON PIANO
CO., LD.

NEW PIANOS

\$70 CASH

AND 18 PAYMENTS OF \$20 EACH

OR \$385 CASH

GREAT STRENGTH AND SUPERIOR
TO ANYTHING IN THE
COLONY.

Steinway,
Bechstein,
Krauss,
Haake,
Hopkinson,
Winkelmann,

ON

CORRESPONDING TERMS.

ALSO

BABY GRANDS

AND

PIANOLAS.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1906.

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Just Landed.

FIRST SHIPMENT.

A PERFECT SCOTCH WHISKY.

D. & J. McCALLUM'S

"PERFECTION"

Per Case 12 Bottles

in Mallet-shaped

& Ordinary Long

Quarts - - - \$16

SAMPLES ON APPLICATION.

SOLE AGENTS—

H. PRICE & CO.,
WINE MERCHANTS,
12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1906.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL.

LAST 2 NIGHTS,
CHANGE IN PROGRAMME.

SPECIAL MATINEE, SATURDAY, MAY 12th.

COMMENCING AT 3.30 P.M.

Children Half-price to all Parts of Theatre.

SPECIAL TRAMS

WILL BE RUN TO THE PEAK AFTER THE PERFORMANCE.

THE GREAT THURSTON,

WINFIELD BLAKE AND MISS MAUD AMBER.

THE POPULAR COMIC OPERA STARS.

Booking for Reserved Seats, Dress Circle and Stalls at ROBINSON'S PIANO CO.
H. P. LYONS, Touring Manager.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

OUTWARD.

From	Steamers	Due
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHEIUS".....	17th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DOMENEUS".....	23rd "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX".....	31st "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MEMNON".....	7th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR".....	14th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS".....	21st "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCUS".....	28th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PING SUEY".....	4th "
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR".....	11th "

HOMeward.

For	Steamers	To Sail
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"CALCHAS".....	20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYNE".....	27th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"JASON".....	3rd June.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DEUCALION".....	10th "
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"HYSON".....	17th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"AJAX".....	24th "
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	"PROMETHEUS".....	31st "
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"PATROCUS".....	7th "
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	"PING SUEY".....	14th "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

OPERATING IN CONJUNCTION WITH

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL
OVERLAND COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

For	Steamers	To Sail
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, and NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"TYDEUS".....	12th May.
	"STENTOR".....	19th "

WESTWARD.

From	Steamers	Due
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"YANGTSE".....	19th May.
The S.S. "Yangtze" left Kobe on the 11th instant for Hongkong via Moji, and is due here on the 19th.		

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

For	Steamers	To Sail
WEI-HAI-WEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW".....	12th May.
MANILA	"TAMING".....	15th "
CEBU and ILOILO	"BUNGIANG".....	15th "
ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.	"TSINAN".....	30th "

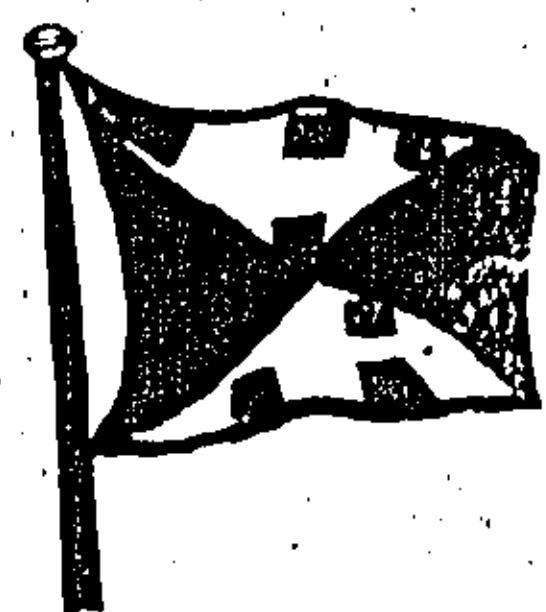
Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is on board.Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian
Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.



HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon and Ship.—Electric
Light.—Perfect Cuisine.—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI.....	2540	R. Almond.....	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 12th May, at Noon.
ZAFIRO.....	2540	R. Rodger.....	"	SATURDAY, 19th May, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.



HONGKONG—NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC
STEAMSHIP CO.FOR NEW YORK via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

Steamship	Due
"RAMSAY".....	22nd May.
"ANGLO SAXON".....	Beginning of July.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong 28th May, 1895.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no
change has been made in the Rates of
Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and
they are wanted against paying more than
TEN CENTS (10 cts) per Single Copy.THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 28th September, 1905.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 7.30 A.M. and on Sundays
at 8 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 5.30 P.M.,
if tide permits.FARES.—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$1; Return Ticket,
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.
On and after Sunday, 20th inst., inclu-
sive, every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates:—1st and 2nd Class, Single, \$2;
Return, \$5; 3rd Class, Single, 50 cents; Re-
turn, 80 cents.All Meals can be supplied on Board at \$1
each Meal.First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.SAM WANG CO.,
Honekong, 10th May, 1906.

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STEAM TO CANTON.

The New Twin Screw Steel Steamers.

Tons Captain

"KWONG CHOW".....T. R. MEAD.

"KWONG TUNG".....R. RAMSEY.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every
evening (Saturday excepted).Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30
o'clock every evening (Sunday excepted).These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans
in First Class Cabins.Passage Fare—Single Journey.....\$4
Meals.....\$1 each.Excursions to MACAO every SATURDAY
at 6 P.M., and every SUNDAY at 8.30 A.M.,
returning on SUNDAY at 10 A.M. and 6.30
P.M.1st Class single \$1 with cabin \$2.00
return \$3. 2nd Class single \$1, return 1.50.
Breakfast, Tiffin and Dinner \$1.00 each.The Wharf in Hongkong is at the Western
end of Wing Lok Street.SHU ON S.S. CO., LD. and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1906.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For Steamship On

SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW.....CHOYSANG.....SUNDAY, 13th May, Daylight.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.....LAISANG.....WEDNESDAY, 16th May, 3 P.M.

SINGAPORE and SOERABAYA.....CHUNSIANG.....SATURDAY, 19th May, 3 P.M.

TIENTSIN.....CHIPSING.....TUESDAY, 22nd May, 4 P.M.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Chefoo and Yangtze Ports.

These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

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Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship Tons Captain To Sail at Daylight on

"ARABIA".....4,483.....Metzenhain.....May 22nd.

"ARAGONIA".....5,198.....Ernst.....June 11th.

"NICOMEDIA".....4,370.....Wagemann.....June 21st.

"NUMANTIA".....4,370.....Feldmann.....July 14th.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

S. SILVERSTONE, Acting General Agent.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1906.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.
THE Steamship
"BENVENUE,"
Captain Kroble, will be despatched as above, on
or about 12th May.To be followed by
S.S. "BENALDER,"
S.S. "BENMOHR,"
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1906.

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FOR VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Steamship
"ORANGE BRANCH,"
3,435 Tons,
will be despatched for VLADIVOSTOCK
about the end of May.To be followed by
S.S. "MAORI KING,"
S.S. "VINE BRANCH," 3,442 Tons.
For Freight, etc., apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.
THE Steamship
"FLINTSHIRE,"
will be despatched for the above Ports, on or
about the 20th instant.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1906.

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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,
(Calling at Manila, Timor, Port Darwin and
Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to
Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)THE Steamship
"EASTERN,"
Captain Powell, will be despatched for the above
Ports, on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, at
Noon.This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-
sions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.The Steamer is installed throughout with
the Electric Light.A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
passengers the Steamers of the Company have
electric fans fitted in staterooms.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1906.

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Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ROON,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-
pany, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may
be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M.
TO-DAY.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after TUESDAY, the 15th
instant, will be subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on TUESDAY, 15th instant, at
9.30 A.M.All Claims must reach us before the 21st
instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"WILLEHAD,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-
pany, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may
be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TUES-
DAY, 8th instant, at 10 A.M.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after MONDAY, 14th instant, will
be subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on MONDAY, 14th instant.All Claims must reach us before SATUR-
DAY, 19th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1906.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after 4 P.M. the 11th instant, will be
landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906.

Intimations.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
HIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.GROUND FLOOR,
ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING,
HONGKONG.

SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S PATENT GENUINE
COMPOSITION RED HAND
BRAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR
LAUNCHES,
&c. &c.Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
and
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH
WHISKY, &c.EVERY KIND OF
SHIPS STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK

REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1905.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,
司公隆李CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS,
from Shanghai, has re-opened their
FURNITURE STORE
at
No. 35, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE
of every description can be made to
order in any design required.Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club,
Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A.
S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Firms and other leading
Establishments in the Colony, to whom refer-
ence may be made as to the Superior Work-
manship and Materials of the Furniture, &c.,
supplied.Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as
follows:—
"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI
KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to
our Dispensary and gave us every satis-
faction."

(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and
CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1906.

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To Let.

TO LET.

TWO GODOWNS at East Point, close to
the Water, suitable for the storage of
any Cargo.

Floor Area 6,100 square feet each.

Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1906.

TO LET.

No. 2, OLD BAILEY.
Apply to—
ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,
45, Wyndham Street,
Hongkong, 26th April, 1906.

TO LET.

"HAYTOR," THE PEAK.
Immediate Possession.Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1906.

TO LET.

No. 15, KNUSTFORD TERRACE,
KOWLOON.Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1905.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAVA, Kennedy
Town.Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 27th June, 1905.

TRADES A CLOCK FOR A STRAD.

Berkeley, 31st March.

A \$1.50 alarm clock for a Stradivarius violin was the trade unwittingly made by J. H. Gentry, a watchmaker of West Berkeley, about two months ago, with a Scotchman who happened in his shop in search of a timepiece to get up by. Gentry's place is at the corner of Sixth street and University avenue. He is a repairer of stringed instruments as well as a watchmaker, and he is also an amateur violinist. One day an old Scotchman saw his sign and walked in with an ancient fiddle which was covered with dirt and strung with cello strings. He asked the watchmaker to take it in exchange for a clock. When asked what kind of a clock he wanted the Scotchman selected a \$1.50 alarm clock. He was given the timepiece and Gentry kept the ancient instrument which had a tall piece carved out of a wagon spoke and fastened with a piece of copper wire. The end piece was made of rotten wood that could be picked to pieces with the thumb nail. Gentry laid the old violin aside and one day about two weeks ago took it up to mend and clean it. He then noticed a barely discernible inscription inside the back of the instrument which he succeeded in making out as the name Antonio Stradivarius, the famous violin maker who had his workshop in the city of Cremona among the Italian Alps. The word Cremona was found on the violin as well as the date 1737. To make sure of his discovery Gentry showed the instrument to musical connoisseurs across the bay, who pronounced it genuine. Accordingly Gentry went to work with infinite care and mended the old "Strad." Passers-by of an evening now hear the clear and resonant tones that emanate from the hollow wood and Gentry refuses to part with his treasure.

COMMERCIAL

10-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T. 2/11 1/2

Do. demand 2/11 1/2

Do. 4 months' sight 2/11 1/2

France—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

America—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

Germany—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

India T.T. 1/10 1/2

Do. demand 1/10 1/2

Shanghai—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

Singapore T.T. 1/10 1/2

Japan—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

Java—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2

Do. demand 1/10 1/2

Do. 4 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 3 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 6 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 9 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 12 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 15 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 18 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 21 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 24 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 27 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 30 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 33 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 36 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 39 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 42 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 45 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 48 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 51 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 54 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 57 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 60 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 63 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 66 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 69 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 72 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 75 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 78 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 81 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 84 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 87 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 90 months' sight 1/10 1/2

Do. 93 months' sight 1/10 1/2

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Departures.

May 11.

Coptic, for San Francisco.

Glenn, for Shanghai.

Hyson, for Canton.

Rickmers, for Bangkok.

Wong, for Manila.

Kelgan, for Tientsin.

Hopang, for Kwang-chow-wan.

Andalusia, for Singapore.

Yveta, for Calcutta.

Vathora, for Amoy.

Ichia, for Bombay.

Passengers arrived.

Per Tydeus, from Singapore—389 Chinese.

Per Andalusia, from Singapore—196 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Coptic, for San Francisco, &c.—Master and Mrs. F. P. Corbett, Mrs. L. M. Roe, Mr. W. H. Dadds, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cockins, Mrs. L. I. Hanchett, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hoover, Mr. A. R. Tull, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hanchett, Mrs. and Miss Stickney, Messrs. W. D. Lyon, J. Groves, Mrs. and Miss M. Ferreault, Mr. G. V. Wille, Mrs. A. T. Woodson, Messrs. Ames Howlett, T. Chas. Guviller, General and Mrs. M. A. Harbach, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, Dr. and Mrs. Bouton, Miss Bouton, Mr. John Inglis, Mrs. E. D. and F. L. McCormick, Mrs. M. W. Pudley, Messrs. W. L. Bernard, Wm. Watson, Messrs. Eugene I. Totten, J. J. Sullivan, Dr. Dueniger, Master Kraemer, Mr. F. B. Lerner, Miss (Dr.) Wener, Messrs. H. C. Anderson, Messrs. W. C. Barre, Kingston, W. P. Williams, T. B. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Trunkett, Lewis, H. R. Stephenson, The Hon. E. Cooke, Messrs. T. Wilson, S. Goddard, A. Dueson, O. Thoresen, D. R. Law, Pigeon, G. D. Edwards and G. V. Bennett.

Vessels in Port.

STRAMERS.

Anglo Saxon, Br. s.s., 2,671, C. Moore, 9th May.

Cardiff 16th May, Coal—Admiralty.

Atlantic, Am. s.s., 961, J. Garcia, 6th May.

Hilo, P.I. 1st May, Sugar—Basa.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, F. Semblil, 4th May.

—Sandakan 29th April, Timber and Gen.

—N. & Co.

Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Le Bail, 10th May.

Singapore 6th May, Gen.—May, Feb.

Choyang, Br. s.s., 1,242, T. W. Selby, 9th May.

—Canton 8th May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Chunyang, Br. s.s., 1,417, Cox, 10th May.

—Samarang 10th May, Sugar—J. M. & Co.

Clara, Jebsen, Ger. s.s., 1,103, J. Iversen, 7th May.

—Bangkok 10th May, Rice—J. & Co.

Dai, Mar. Jap. s.s., 1,568, S. Tagami, 9th May.

—Swatow 8th May, Gen.—O. S. K.

Daphne, Ger. s.s., 1,115, E. Schipper, 10th May.

—Saigon 6th May, Rice and Gen.—H. A. L.

Emma Luyken, Ger. s.s., 1,159, G. Conrad, 4th May.

—Saigon 30th April, Rice and Gen.—E. A. T. Co.

Eskaide, Br. s.s., 1,246, G. W. Duff, 8th May.

—Molli 4th May, Gen.—A. M. Essabhy.

Falk, Nor. s.s., 1,386, G. M. Gundersen, 5th May.

—Borneo 28th April, Timber—S. W. & Co.

Gregory Apar, Br. s.s., 2,961, S. H. Nelson, 4th May.

—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 28th April, Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.

Hue, Fr. s.s., 702, Codinau, 7th May.

—Haiphong and Hoihow 6th May, Gen.—A. R. M.

Lainsang, Br. s.s., 3,460, P. M. B. Lake, 9th May.

—Calcutta 24th April, Penang and Singapore 2nd May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Mathew, Ger. s.s., 975, H. Harjes, 9th May.

—Bangkok 1st May, Rice—B. & S.

Madeleine Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, S. Simonsen, 7th May.

—Bangkok 27th April, Rice—B. & S.

Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, R. Houghton, 8th May.

—Sandakan 3rd May, Timber and Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Rajahmundry, Br. s.s., 1,184, Rosepinky, 5th May.

—Bangkok and Hoihow 4th May, Rice—B. & S.

Rub, Br. s.s., 1,619, W. G. Lawson, 7th May.

—Manila 5th May, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Saint Bride, Br. s.s., 2,514, W. Nicoll, 20th April.

—Cardiff 8th May, Coal—Government.

Sandakan, Ger. s.s., 1,793, Wending, 5th May.

—Bangkok 28th April, Rice—M. & Co.

Shanghai, Br. s.s., 1,078, J. R. Scott, 8th May.

—Saigon 3rd May, Rice—Wo Fat Sing.

Siberia, Am. s.s., 5,655, A. Zreder, 7th May.

—San Francisco 7th April, and Yokohama 26th, Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. Co.

Sungkiang, Br. s.s., 987, G. H. Pennefather, 25th April.

—Hilo 20th April, Sugar—B. & S.

Taihu, Ger. s.s., 1,065, C. U. Berfeldt, 12th April.

—Swatow 11th April, Ballast—E. A. T. Co.

Tartar, Br. s.s., 2,768, W. Davidson, R.N.R., 4th May.

—Yamoucou 3rd April, and Shanhai 30th, Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Zoroaster, Br. s.s., 2,383, J. Evan, 7th May.

—Christmas Island 28th April, Gen.—M. B. K.

Steamers Expected.

Vessel	From	Agents	Date
Wakasa Maru	Kelung	N. Y. K.	May 12
Salazar	Manila	N. Y. K.	May 12
Awa Maru	Manila	N. Y. K.	May 14
Peshawar	Singapore	P. & O.	May 15
Yawata Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	May 15
America Maru	Japan	T. K. K.	May 16
Yamato	Japan	P. & O.	May 19
Namsing	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	May 21
Emp. of China	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	May 21
Tilghong	Kobe	J. C. L.	May 22
Colonbia Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	May 27
Aragonia	Astoria	P. & A. Co.	May 27
Mongolia	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	May 30
China	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	May 30

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

U.S.S. Barry..... At Kowloon Dock.

U.S. Bainbridge..... " "

Brand..... " "

Alia..... " "

Lungtung..... " "

Sungkiang..... " "

Spennome..... " "

Hud..... " "

Amiral de Beaumont..... " "

Haiphong..... " "

Sandakan..... " "

Sauai..... " "

SIAMHAI.

4th Inst.

Sihan..... International Dock.

Wai Yuen..... Old "

Kiang Tung..... International "

Two Lights..... do "

P. and O. Tender Gutliff..... New "

Towboat Neptune..... do "

Ships Passed The Canal.

3rd April—Bismarck, Laos, Palawan, Prince Heinrich, St. Bide, 7th April—Nippon, Caledonia, Deception, Gaskwar, Princess Alice, 11th April—Andalusia, Nubia, Sambla, St. George, 17th April—Achilles, Benlarig, Benlomon, Glaucois, Hyson, Oceanic, Roon, Voronoi, Schuyllkill, Nihkdale, Abernethy, Glenstar, St. Ebert, Rhinow, 21st April—Bayern, Peshawar, Rhipeus, Salatia, Klev, Azilia, Hellepolla, Raibara, 25th April—Glench, Klev, 28th April—Alicious, Baralong, Formosa, Idomeneus, Tonkin, 1st May—Ambria, Palma, Pelus, Para, Preussen, Saxonia, Tilmachut, Benavon, 5th May—Ajax, Renvorlich, Oceanic, Verona, Silula, (Gen.) Prins Regent Luitpold, Iyo Maru, Rhanaria, 8th May—Radnorshire, Indrani, Dan of Maine, Naba, Swanley.

Arrivals at Home—21st April—Bechnana, Antenor, Brigacla, Zilim, Indrapura, 7th April—Falkland, 11th April—Ping Sany, Kouang Si, Ophid, Benary, 14th April—Sumatra, 17th April—Pinnas Alia, Sparta, St. Bide, 21st April—Coudon, Benlarig, Achilles, Sambla, 28th April—Nubia, 1st May—Glenstar, St. George, 5th May—Australia, Baralong, Bayern, 8th May—Rasbera.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for—

Macao—Per Heungshan, 12th May, 12.15 P.M.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Gregory Apar, 12th May, 2 P.M.

Cheloo and Tientsin—Per Hultchow, 12th May, 3 P.M.

Shanghai—Per Choyang, 12th May, 5 P.M.

Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per Macheu, 12th May, 5 P.M.

Hongay—Per Hilary, 12th May, 5 P.M.

Swatow, Amoy

Mails.

MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES
FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON,
SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, AUSTRALIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MAR-
SEILLES, LONDON,
HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS.

The S.S. "POLYNESIE."
Captain Broc, will be despatched for
MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 15th
May, at 1 P.M.
Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading
issued for above ports and for Australia with
prompt transhipment at Colombo.

Cargo also booked for principal places in
Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. CALEDONNIEN 29th May.
S.S. SALAZIE 12th June.
S.S. OCEANIE 26th June.
S.S. TOURANE 10th July.
S.S. TONKIN 24th July.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1906.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.
(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)
THE Steamship
"DELHI,"
Captain J. D. Andrews, R.N.R., carrying His
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this
for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 19th
May, 1906, at Noon, taking Passengers and
Cargo for the above Ports in connection with
the Company's S.S. India, 7,911 tons, from
Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which
vessel is secured before departure from Hong-
kong.
Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be
conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Persia,
due in London on the 1st July, 1906.
Parcels will be received at this Office until
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1906.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.
JOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA,
VIA
MOJIB, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Sailing
Tremont	9,606	T. W. Garlick	26th May
Lura	4,417	G. V. Williams	3rd July
Shawmut	9,606	E. V. Roberts	27th July
Tremont	9,606	T. W. Garlick	22nd Aug.

* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,
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The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont
are fitted with very superior accommodation
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at sea. Electric fan in each room.
Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo
carried in cold storage.

For further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
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Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 28th April, 1906.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Steamship	About
"SATSUMA"	22nd May.
"SIKH"	5th June.
"WRAY CASTLE"	to follow.

For Freight and further information, apply
to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1906.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Const. Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds
of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
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Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Chiu-
den's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery.
Materials can be supplied, if required.
The Superioress will also be most grateful
for any PAPER or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor School,
who are taught by the Sisters.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1892.

Intimations.

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

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LONDON, INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA.

ESTABLISHED 1815.

BRANDY	22.50
"	20.00
"	16.75
WHISKY, PALL MALL	20.00
" JOHN WALKER & SONS' OLD HIGHLAND	12.50
" C. P. & CO.'S SPECIAL BLEND	10.50
PORT WINE, INVALIDS	20.00
" DOURO	13.75
SHERRY, AMOROSO	20.00
" LA TORRE	16.00
BENEDICTINE, D.O.M.	40.50

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HONGKONG AGENTS.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905.

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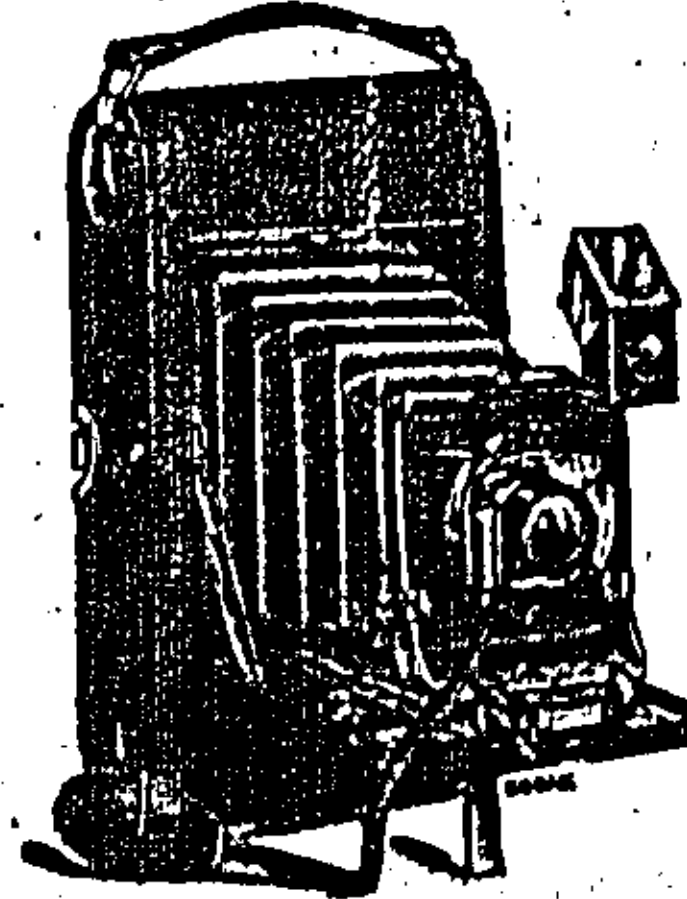
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Telephone 156.

AMATEUR WORK RECEIVES PROMPT AND CAREFUL ATTENTION.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1906.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADDOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.		LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATION.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.			
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	10,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$9,500,000 \$250,000 £12,735 \$150,000	\$1,699,777	{ £1 15/- div. and £1 bonus @ ex. 2/0/16 = \$26.87 for 2nd half-year 1905	5 %	{ \$855 (London £90 \$38)
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£5		\$74,099	\$2 (London 3/8) for 1903		\$38
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,600,000 \$147,965	\$211,540	\$20 for 1904	5 1/2 %	\$355 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£100,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 302,053	Interim div. of 7/6 on account 1905	5 1/2 %	Tls. 87 1/2 ex div.
Union Insurance Company of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$7,000,000 \$311,131 \$1,153,814 \$569,279 \$800,000 \$61,787 \$15,527	12 7 1/2 %	Interim div. of 3/6 for 1905	4 %	\$780
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$229,458 \$26,500	\$50,734	\$12 and \$3 special dividend for 1904	8 1/2 %	\$175
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$229,458 \$26,500	\$34,018	\$6 for 1904	7 %	\$86
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,200,000 \$1,200,000	\$42,518	\$25 for 1904	8 %	\$305
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$16,000 \$264,338	\$6,556	\$1 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$23
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$500,000 \$500,000	Nil	\$3 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1905	8 1/2 %	\$40
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$15	\$15	\$500,000 \$154,331 £120,000 £241,150 £3,999	\$21,020	\$1 for 2nd half-year making \$2 for 1905	8 %	\$25
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	\$1,000,000 £1,000,000	\$4,431	12/- @ 1/101 = \$6.29 5/11 for 1904	7 %	\$91
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 10,000 Tls. 2,156	Tls. 2,156	{ Final Tls. 3 making Tls. 5 for 1905 Final Tls. 14 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1905	8 % 7 %	{ Tls. 62 buyers Tls. 50 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$4,144 \$65,000 \$24,217	\$929	1/- (Coupon No. 6 for 1905)	4 %	26/-
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 350,479 Tls. 48,000 Tls. 81,200	Tls. 13,913	{ \$1.80 for year ending 30.4.1905 \$0.90	5 1/2 % 4 %	{ \$33 \$23
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 3,723	Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 4 for 1905	10 %	Tls. 40 sales
PEINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$850,000 \$450,000 \$86,100	\$40,914	Final of \$15 making \$25 for 1905	14 1/2 %	\$172
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$132,588	\$3 for 1897		\$25
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 3,723	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04		Tls. 90 sales
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$80,000 £26,011	£13,355	{ 1/- (No. 6) interim div. for 12 months ending 28.2.06	7 %	Tls. 10 b.
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	100,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	none	G. \$90,050	Final of 50 cents making G. \$1 for 1905	6 1/2 %	G. \$16
Yaub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £8,745	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents		\$3 sales
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$8,915	\$2 for 1905	9 %	\$22
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000 \$65,160 £20,000	\$20,040	Final of \$3 1/2 making 16 for 1905	5 1/2 %	\$104
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$49,500	\$362,232	\$6 for second half-year making \$12 for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$164
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	10,000	\$60	\$60	\$188,000	\$2,221	\$1 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$17 buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	45,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 487,212	Tls. 34,924	Interim of Tls. 4 for year 1905/6	10 %	Tls. 119
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 57,068	Tls. 57,065	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 for 1905	6 1/2 %	Tls. 225 norm.
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 30,000	Tls. 5,668	Tls. 18 for 1905	8 1/2 %	Tls. 220 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	none	First year	8 %	Tls. 100
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	6,000	£25	£25	\$14,516	\$9,028	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1905	13 1/2 %	\$32 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	24,000	£15	£15	none	\$4,719	\$2.40 on \$12 for 1905		\$18 sales
Do. (new issue)	123	\$15	\$15	none		\$7 on \$7 for 1905		\$154 buyers
Do. (Founders)						None		\$300 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	£100	£100	\$648,975 £24,071	1619	\$5 for second half-year making \$10 for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$130 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$250,000	\$67,839	Final of \$3 1/2 making \$7 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$119 buyers
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 24,986	Tls. 7,202	Interim of Tls. 1 for 1905	14 %	Tls. 17
Hotel Metropole Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$4,699	Final of \$6 making \$10	10 %	\$100
Mumfry's Estate & Finance Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$208,386 £50,000	\$5,070	80 cents for 1905	7 %	\$11 1/2
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$574	\$2 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$39
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	12,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 909,593 Tls. 170,000	Tls. 52,194	Final of Tls. 3 making Tls. 6 for 1905	5 %	Tls. 119 sales
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$10	\$10	none	\$772	Final of \$1.90 making \$3.65 for 1905	7 %	\$53
COTTON MILLS.								
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,939	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8 for year ended 31.10.1905	11 1/2 %	Tls. 70 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$30,000	\$23,264	\$1 for the year ending 31.7.1905	6 1/2 %	\$154
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 18,718	3 % a/c 1898		Tls. 65 sellers
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 30,760	Tls. 8 for 1905	11 1/2 %	Tls. 70 sales
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 18,456	Tls. 35,986	Tls. 25 for 1905	7 1/2 %	Tls. 325 sales
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Anglo-German Brewery Company, Limited	4,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$1,066	\$7 for 1905	7 %	\$100
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$314	\$770	1/3 per share for 1904	9 %	\$72
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$9,000	\$1,097	\$5 for 1905	9 1/2 %	\$32
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil	\$1 for 1904		\$7
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 40	Tls. 40	Tls. 50,000	Tls. 180	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	12 1/2 %	Tls. 80 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	40,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,219	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	6 1/2 %	110 buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$8,000	\$1,581	80 cents for 1905	9 %	\$9
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$25,000	\$2,864	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.1905	7 1/2 %	\$16
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$410,000 \$500,000	\$3,291	\$2 dividend and 50 cents bonus for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$29 buyers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$186,000	\$20,893	\$2 1/2 for year ending 28.2.06	11 %	\$22 1/2
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,568	{ \$1.00 for 10 months ending 28.2.06 65 cents for 10 months ending 28.2.06	7 1/2 %	{ \$16 ex div. \$22 1/2
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$50,000	\$2,796	\$15 for year ending 30.11.1904	6 1/2 %	\$235
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$180,000	\$3,276	Final of \$15 making \$19 for 1905	8 %	\$240 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$61,000	\$5,813	\$9 for 1905 on 5 shares	6 1/2 %	\$20
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000	\$88	Final of 50 cents making \$1 for the year	10 1/2 %	\$201
Maatschappij tot Mijl, Bosch en Landbouw-planten in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,503 Tls. 27,003	Tls. 10,74	{ First interim of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.06 account 1906	8 1/2 %	Tls. 242 sellers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	none	Dr. P. 34,324	None		\$5 buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 40	Tls. 40	Tls. 165,000	Tls. 11,017	{ Tls. 3 1/2 final & Tls. 1 1/2 bonus making Tls. 5 for 1905	6 1/2 %	Tls. 135 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000 Tls. 37,000	Tls. 9,751	Tls. 8 for 1904	11 %	Tls. 55 sales
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 8,000 Tls. 24,820	Tls. 2,753	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 for 1905	9 1/2 %	Tls. 150 sellers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,452	Final of Tls. 3 making Tls. 5 for 1905	7 %	Tls. 70 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,200	£20	£20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 8,552	{ Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1905, 6 First year		{ Tls. 450 Tls. 700 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$44,089	None		\$6
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$1,134	50 cents for year ended 31.5.05	8 1/2 %	\$20
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,293	Tls. 1,012	Interim of Tls. 4 for year 1905/6	7 1/2 %	Tls. 110
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$22,000	\$551	{ 80 cents for year ended 31.5.1905 \$19.80	9 % 11 %	{ \$9 \$180
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10	\$300,000 \$25,000	\$6,096	Interim of 50 cents for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$13 1/2
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,500	\$676	Interim div. of 50 cts. for the year 1903/6	10 %	\$10 1/2
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,500	\$676	Interim div. of 50 cts. for the year 1903/6	10 %	\$10 1/2
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE.						Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$1	14th May
						do. do. (new shares)	61 cts.	do.
						A. S. Watson & Co.	50 cts.	do.